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The Holy Eucharist

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Tuesday: 7:00 AM

The Staff

Reverend Marion Phipps, Rector

Dan Dolney, Senior Warden

Craig Skeppstom, Junior Warden

Ed Jamrog., Treasurer

Katie White, Vestry Clerk

Karen Warner, Administrative Assistant

Jeanne Rayner, Altar Guild

February Birthdays Happy Birthday!!

Jose Padilla	2 - 2
Richard W. Rayner	2 - 2
Leslie Scheffel	2 - 5
Beverly Hopson	2 - 10
Pat Moeller	2 - 17
Scott Campbell	2 - 10
Nancy Rayner	2 - 20
Nick Mavros	2 - 25
Kyle Johnson	2 - 26
Caroline Onischak	2 - 26
Jeanne Rayner	2 - 26

February Anniversaries *Happy Anniversary!!!*

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The News Letter of St. Hugh of Lincoln Church



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Dear Parish Family,

How quickly January has flown by, though maybe more so for me as I was on vacation the last couple weeks and enjoying warmer weather in Florida. Thanks to all who worked hard to make our annual meeting and brunch a success! I am looking forward to all that God has planned for us in 2014. As we traveled back to Florida, I was grateful to be going for a happy occasion this trip, my nieces wedding. It doesn't seem possible that she can be 27 and getting married! I was that age when she was born! How quickly time flies and Mike commented that its like that song, "To everything there is a season, turn, turn, turn..." I said that song was take right out of Ecclesiastes 31:1-4

"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;"

Ironically, we had this conversation just a couple weeks before Pete Seeger died, who had turned that Bible passage into a song. And so it is that seasons come and go and while many of you may be quite sick of winter and ready for spring, remember that there is a purpose for every season. While snow and ice may cover the ground right now, underneath the dirt, flower bulbs are gathering nutrients, getting ready to bloom in the spring! If you look closely at the trees, you can see tiny buds which will open in due time. We have no control over the seasons, but we can appreciate the gifts that each season brings.

While on vacation, we spent a day at Disney World with my Dad. He even rode the roller coaster, Thunder Mountain Railway with us! We made some great new memories, but as we walked through the park, memories flashed back of our daughter and nieces as toddlers seeing Disney with eyes wide open to the "magic" of it all and later as grade schoolers riding their first rides unaccompanied by an adult. How big they seemed then! Time flies, and seasons do come and go but God is with us in the midst of whatever season we are in! May we embrace the joys and sorrows of every season knowing that God is in control and has good plans for us. As God said to the prophet Jeremiah,

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, " plans to prosper you

and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11) Each season we are in we can claim this promise from God anew. God is with us through all life's ups and downs, joys, and sorrows. We are blessed to be in a faith community where others can remind us of this no matter what season we are in. Next week, we'll be visited by Bishop John Buchanan and we will have a couple folks received and witness the baptism of Maiyari Manderico. Come and share the joy with her family and meet and welcome our newest Bishop in Chicago. I am looking forward to worshipping with you Sunday and always grateful for all that we share!

Love and Blessings,

Marion+

Apologies for the blurry copy of Dan's report. It was copied and pasted.

Senior Warden Report - January, 2014

It's really hard to type when you're wearing mittens! Let's hope that the frigid temperatures that January brought us begin to subside soon. No matter what, please stay warm and stay safe.

In my newsletter last month, I thanked Marion and all of the St Hugh family for allowing me to be your Senior Warden for the last year and a half as my term was coming to an end. WELL.....Marion asked, and I agreed to, an extension of my term. It took amending our by-laws, but we did it and here I am. I will do my best to live up to your confidence.

Let me welcome our new members to the St Hugh Vestry. The addition of Suzanne Diebold-Martin, Bert McConnell, and Debbie Wild give St Hugh important voices and the diversity we need to move forward. I also welcome back Katie White as she was serving out a vacant spot and agreed to fulfill a full term. What a great group of Vestry members we have. I look forward to working with them.

As is customary, we had our annual Parish Meeting on January 12th. And what would a Parish get-together be without a pot luck. Once again, Peola coordinated a wonderful brunch that brought our 8am and 10:30am services together. Thank you, Peola for all your efforts and, most of all, your spirit of fellowship that is becoming a hallmark of the St Hugh parish family.

We, once again, welcomed Rev Bill McLemore to St Hugh for the two Sundays that Marion and Mike were on vacation. It's always a pleasure to hear Fr Bill preach and I'm sure we'll see him in the future.

Like every year, we start this new year at St Hugh with much hope. 2013 had its ups and downs and it's safe to say 2014 won't be too different. That's life. We look to see the children of the parish grow in numbers much like last year. What a joy these little ones bring us. Each Sunday we see the excitement, energy and love that they bring to our parish family and we look forward to seeing those numbers increase just like last year. Thank you to Leslie and everyone else who helps out. It couldn't happen without you.

We also look to see participation in ALL of the St Hugh Ministries increase. When I first became Senior Warden, I called on everyone to move out of your "Comfort Zone" and do something different. Whether it was helping out in the nursery, being an acolyte, hosting coffee hour, ushering, greeting, or altar guild to name a few, the response was wonderful. But let's not stop. What else haven't you done yet? Participation in the various ministries makes ones Faith so much deeper and meaningful. Think of your family's participation in putting on Thanksgiving dinner. Everyone helps whether it's a dish, setting the table, decorations, dessert, etc. What can you bring to the Lord's table? Hmm?

Dan Dolney – Senior Warden

A special invitation to the ladies of the parish:

On Wednesday, February 5th, at noon, RĒLICS is hosting a speaker from the Episcopal Church Women of the Chicago Diocese who will explain to us the projects that diocesan women are undertaking. We have invited the women of Redeemer to join us for this presentation. Let's have a good showing from St. Hugh to welcome our friends from across town. Please bring a salad or dessert so there will be lots to share.

Meet Leslie, our nursery staffer!

Leslie was born in Munster, IN. She and her family moved to Elgin when she was 2. Her family have been members at St. Hugh for 20 yrs. Leslie graduated high school in 2006. She's thinking about going to nursing school. She is currently a Certified Nurses Assistant at Little Angels. It is a nursing home for kids and adults with disabilities that require 24/7 care. She's been there for almost 10 yrs. She loves kids! We are thrilled to have her helping with the St. Hugh kids!



Who is Bishop Buchanan?

The Right Reverend John Clark Buchanan joined the Diocese of Chicago as assisting bishop in January 2014. He is the former bishop of the Diocese of West Missouri (1989 - 2000). In retirement, he has continued to serve the Church in various capacities. He was the provisional bishop of the Diocese of Quincy from 2009 - 2013, assisting bishop of the Diocese of Southern Virginia from 2006 - 2009, assisting bishop of the Diocese of Texas from 2004 - 2006 and the bishop-in-residence at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Charleston, SC, from 2000 - 2004. Bishop Buchanan's parish experience from 1969 to 1989 included St. Barnabas' Church, Dillon, St. Matthew's Church, Darlington, and St. Andrew's Church, Mount Pleasant, in his native South Carolina.

Bishop Buchanan is a graduate of the University of South Carolina (B.A., 1958 and J.D., 1960), the General Theological Seminary in New York (M.Div., 1969 and D.D., 1989), and the McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago (D.Min. 1975). Prior to his ordained ministry, he was a lawyer in private practice and in the insurance industry.

Currently, he serves the wider church as the Parliamentarian for the House of Bishops of the Episcopal Church. His board memberships include the Episcopal Evangelical Society and The Anglican Digest.

The bishop is married to the former Peggy Brown of Florence, SC., and they maintain their permanent home in Mt. Pleasant, SC. The Buchanans have two adult daughters and two grandchildren.

Please see the sign up poster on the bulletin board for the reception on February 9th!

FLOWERS

Please remember to sign up to remember someone or a special occasion on the Flower list in the narthex. The cost per Sunday is \$30. Envelopes are available near the list. Please drop the completed envelope in the offertory plate or the mailbox on the office door.

2013 Year —end Pledge Statements are in your Wiedrich Hall mailbox. Contact the office if you have a question/concern.

Christmas Service Times Survey....

White Christmas is still fresh in your mind.....

What is your opinion of changing the times of the services for 2014 to:

4PM Service

7:30 Carols

8PM Service

Or something like this?

Yes , I like it No, leave it the way is it (4PM service, 10PM Carols, 10:30PM service)

Thoughts and suggestions:

Please tear off and place in the mailbox on the office door at your earliest convenience. Thanks!

Reverend Rachael Gregory has extended the invitation to St. Hugh
Church!

Congratulations Rev. Gregory!



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PRESIDER

THE VERY REV. EILEEN SHANLEY-ROBERTS

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PREACHER

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014

7:00 PM

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R.S.V.P BY JANUARY 27, 2014 TO CHURCH OFFICE

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